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EGGS IN INCUBATORS--APRIL 1, 2005-2006 UNITED STATES

Item	2005	2006	% of Year Ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Chickens, Egg Type	37,732	35,797	95
Chickens, Broiler Type	660,137	658,570	100
Turkeys, All Breeds	29,105	30,125	104

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report].

POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT--MARCH 2005-2006

Item	2005	2006	% of year ago	January thru March 2005	2006	% of year ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.)^{1/}						
Broiler Type	7,077	7,012	99	20,811	21,430	103
Egg Type	314	286	91	679	670	99
Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type						
Georgia	123,271	126,415	103	358,790	363,116	101
United States	816,552	817,068	100	2,346,166	2,354,286	100
Chicks Hatched - Egg Type						
Georgia	2,394	2,393	100	6,888	6,961	101
United States	41,701	38,918	93	114,419	108,005	94
Turkeys Poults Placed^{2/}						
United States	23,376	24,674	106	153,120	162,004	106

[Results from the monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the monthly Turkey Hatchery Report]. 1/ Domestic placements as reported by leading breeders includes expected pullet replacements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs. 2/ Accumulated turkey poults placed are September 1 to current month.

NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION--DURING MARCH 2005-2006^{1/}

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
GEORGIA						
Hatching	9,384	9,240	1,928	1,926	179	178
Table ^{2/}	10,951	9,997	2,244	2,291	248	229
Total Georgia	20,335	19,237	2,100	2,116	427	407
UNITED STATES						
Hatching	59,700	58,601	1,891	1,886	1,129	1,105
Table ^{2/}	281,320	285,702	2,301	2,310	6,610	6,733
Total U.S.	346,959	350,085	2,230	2,239	7,738	7,837

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report]. 1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Table egg layers in flocks.

POULTRY--VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA, 2000-2005^{1/}

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
--Thousand Dollars--						
Commercial Broilers	2,029,005	2,432,235	1,935,750	2,142,850	2,857,580	2,897,383
Mature Chickens,						
Hatching Egg Flocks	20,898	11,380	10,329	7,713	8,013	11,758
Table Egg Flocks	188	104	93	93	155	154
All Chickens,						
Including Commercial Broilers	2,050,091	2,443,719	1,946,172	2,150,656	2,865,748	2,909,295
Eggs	369,913	367,887	355,968	395,769	394,120	340,680
All Poultry	2,420,004	2,811,606	2,302,140	2,546,425	3,259,868	3,249,975

1/ The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year.

COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER^{1/}--FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2005

Item	Feb	Mar	% of Last Month	January to Date
--Thousands--		--Percent--		--Thousands--
Young Chickens				
Georgia	96,449	111,714	116	314,730
United States	678,287	777,579	115	2,200,620
Mature Chickens				
Light Type, U.S.	4,483	4,624	103	15,544
Heavy Type, U.S.	5,517	6,993	127	18,641
Total U.S.	10,000	11,617	116	34,185
Percent Condemned Young Chickens	--Percent--			--Percent--
Georgia	0.72	0.69		0.69
United States	1.06	1.03		1.03

1/ Federally inspected slaughter data as collected by Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--APRIL 15, 2006

Commodity	Price per Unit	Georgia			United States		
		Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006
Cotton	¢/Lb	38.30	47.10	47.20 ^{1/}	41.40	50.40	54.30 ^{1/}
Peanuts, In-Shell	¢/Lb	2/	17.20	17.00	18.00	17.90	17.60
Calves	¢/Lb	136.00	130.00	124.00	141.00	138.00	136.00
Beef Cattle ^{3/}	¢/Lb	73.90	70.30	66.10	93.70	88.10	85.20
Cows ^{4/}	¢/Lb	56.40	51.80	50.50	57.00	49.50	48.70
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	105.00	98.10	93.80	98.10	93.00	89.70

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Based on sales during the first half of the month. 2/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms. 3/ "Cows" and "Steers and Heifers" combined. 4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

INDEX NUMBERS, UNITED STATES

Index	2005		2006	
	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr
1990-92=100				
Prices Received	119	121	114	115
Prices Paid	139	140	146	147
Ratio ^{1/}	86	86	78	78

[Results from the monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

FEED--PRICES PAID, APRIL 2006

Commodity	Price per Unit	Southeast			United States		
		2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
Cottonseed Meal, 41%	\$/Cwt	17.00	15.80	17.10	18.40	17.20	18.20
Soybean Meal, 44%	\$/Cwt	22.10	20.40	20.50	19.60	16.10	16.90
Corn Meal	\$/Cwt	11.10	11.50	12.60	9.84	9.57	10.10
Broiler Grower	\$/Ton	246.00	195.00	216.00	278.00	237.00	255.00
Chick Starter	\$/Ton	273.00	227.00	227.00	299.00	268.00	273.00
Laying Feed	\$/Ton	227.00	221.00	216.00	249.00	226.00	240.00
Dairy Conct., 32-38%	\$/Ton	280.00	239.00	219.00	381.00	331.00	341.00
Beef Cattle Conct., 32%-36%	\$/Ton	274.00	358.00	321.00	342.00	316.00	336.00

[Results from Prices Paid by Farmers]. 1/ Southeast: AL, FL, GA, and SC.

HIRED WORKERS: WAGE RATES FOR TYPE OF WORKER AND ALL HIRED WORKERS BY REGION AND UNITED STATES^{1/}
APRIL 10-16, 2005, AND APRIL 9-15, 2006

Region	Type of Hired Worker						Wage Rates for All Hired Workers	
	Field		Livestock		Field and Livestock			
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
--Dollars per Hour--								
Southeast ^{2/}	8.41	8.49	8.30	8.68	8.38	8.55	8.83	9.19
US ^{3/}	8.56	8.96	9.14	9.30	8.72	9.07	9.35	9.79

See footnotes below.

HIRED WORKERS: NUMBER AND HOURS WORKED BY REGION AND UNITED STATES^{1/}
APRIL 10-16, 2005, AND APRIL 9-15, 2006

Region	Number of Workers		Expected to be Employed				Number of Hours Worked	
			150 Days or More		149 Days or Less			
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
--1,000-- --Hours per Week-- --1,000--								
Southeast ^{2/}	36	31	26	24	10	7	32.0	36.5
US ^{3/}	753	718	600	580	153	138	39.9	40.8

[Results from the Agricultural Labor Survey]. 1/ Excludes agricultural service workers. 2/ Southeast: AL, GA, SC. 3/ Excludes AK.

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END, UNITED STATES--2006^{1/}

Month Ending	Farmer Stocks	Shelled Peanuts ^{2/}	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent	
				Shelled Peanuts	Total ^{3/}
--Thousand Pounds--					
Mar	2,609,278	630,829	50,684	839,003	3,498,965

[Results from the Peanut Stocks and Processing Report]. 1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storages. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts x 1.33.

WINTER WHEAT, 2005-2006

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
--1000 Acres-- --Bushels-- --1,000 Bushels--						
GA	140	130	52.0	45.0	7,280	5,850
US	33,794	31,177	44.4	42.4	1,499,129	1,322,831

[Results based on the May Yield Survey].

HAY STOCKS ON FARMS, 2003-2006

State	December 1			May 1		
	2003	2004	2005	2004	2005	2006
--1,000 Tons--						
GA	1,494	1,345	1,350	342	292	198
US	111,027	114,516	105,056	25,947	27,758	21,315

[Results based on the May Yield Survey].

UPLAND COTTON--ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, 2005

State	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production in 480-Lb. Net Weight Bales
	--1,000 Acres--		--Pounds--	--1,000 Bales--
GA	1,220.0	1,210.0	849	2,140.0
US	13,975.0	13,534.0	825	23,259.7

COTTONSEED--PRODUCTION AND FARM DISPOSITION, 2005

Cotton Production and Disposition, 2005				
State	Production	Farm Disposition		Seed for Planting ^{2/}
		Sales to Oil Mills	Other ^{1/}	
--1,000 Tons--				
GA	736.0	395.0	341.0	16.0
US	8,172.1	4,588.8	3,583.3	138.4

1/ Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, loss, and other uses. 2/ Included in "other" farm disposition. Planting seed from previous year's crop.

COTTON GINNINGS: EQUIVALENT 480-POUND BALES GINNED, CROP YEARS 2004-2005

Type and State		2004	2005
Upland	GA	1,749,150	2,099,850
All	US	21,249,400	22,321,200

ALL TOBACCO--ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION 2005^{1/}

State	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Price per Pound	Value of Production
	--Acres--	--Pounds--	--1,000 Pounds--	--Dollars--	--1,000 Dollars--
GA	16,000	1,735	27,760	1.435	39,836
US	298,080	2,171	647,278	1.659 ^{2/}	1,073,607 ^{2/}

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes estimated 2005 value of production for CT and MA type 61. Used 2004 CT and MA type 61 price to compute the 2005 value of production.

MILK--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2004^{1/}-2005^{2/}

Item	Unit	Georgia		United States	
		2004	2005	2004	2005
Number of Milk Cows ^{3/}	Thous Head	84	81	9,012	9,041
Milk Production per Cow	Pounds	16,857	17,259	18,967	19,576
Total Milk Production	Mil Lbs	1,416	1,398	170,934	176,989
Cash Receipts	Mil Dol	235.5	221.8	27,386.6	26,737.9
Value of Home Consumption ^{4/}	Mil Dol	0.2	0.2	24.1	20.8
Gross Income ^{5/}	Mil Dol	235.7	221.9	27,410.7	26,758.6

[Results from the Milk Production Report]. 1/ Revised. 2/ May not add due to rounding. 3/ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. 4/ Valued at averaged returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream. 5/ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

CATTLE--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2004-2005

	Production ^{1/}	Marketings ^{2/}	Average Price per 100 Pounds		Value of Production	Cash Receipts ^{3/}	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	--Thousand Pounds--		--Dollars--			--Thousand Dollars--		
2004 ^{5/}								
GA	462,321	510,790	66.10	118.00	353,513	395,833	4,387	400,220
US	41,497,188	54,045,957	85.80	119.00	34,830,872	47,506,963	427,777	47,934,740
2005								
GA	382,103	432,135	68.60	125.00	315,397	357,433	4,547	361,980
US	41,578,277	53,068,833	89.70	135.00	36,739,445	49,208,682	459,479	49,668,161

[Results published in the Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2005 Summary]. 1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State. 3/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 5/ 2004 revised.

HOGS--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2004-2005

	Production ^{1/}	Marketings ^{2/}	Average Price per 100 Pounds	Value of Production ^{3/}	Cash Receipts ^{3/4/}	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	--Thousand Pounds--		--Dollars--	--Thousand Dollars--		--Thousand Dollars--	
2004 ^{5/}							
GA	148,837	159,268	50.30	74,147	84,790	499	85,289
US	26,689,257	27,745,036	49.30	13,072,025	14,332,729	36,499	14,369,228
2005							
GA	148,205	151,826	52.00	78,002	82,267	520	82,787
US	27,489,344	28,462,375	50.20	13,643,568	15,037,068	35,145	15,072,213

[Results published in the Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2005 Summary]. 1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State. 3/ Includes allowance for higher average price of State inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs. 4/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 5/ 2004 revised.

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